

Why Acquire Otto Lopez?

- Young (26 yrs old), **controllable** player (1.1 years of service time pre-2025) with good hitting, elite **defense**, good baserunning, and great **speed**.
- Contract is **cheap**: 1 year, \$778,500 with the Marlins.
- Can play **multiple positions** (2B/SS/OF) and replace Volpe if his struggles continue.
- Should fit Yankee Stadium well as he has at least 20 fly outs or doubles that would have been homers in Yankee Stadium (based on the spray chart on the next slide)
- Arrives early, **puts in extra work**, and strives to improve in all areas of his game.
- This season, is hitting 6.4% more batted balls in the air and is pulling 1.1% more of his batted balls hit in the air (air balls). Air balls have higher wOBA than GBs and pulled air balls have better wOBA than straight or oppo air balls.
- **Contact** and base running skills balances Yankees high K lineup and below average baserunning.

2025 Rankings:



Past WAR and Projections:

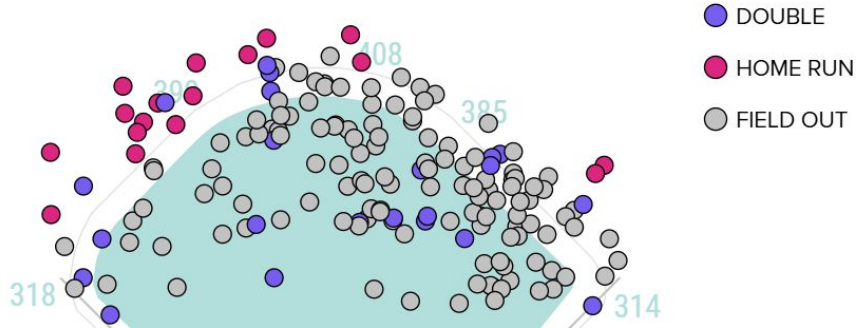
2024 WAR	2025 WAR	2026 WAR	2027 WAR	2028 WAR
2.5	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6

vs. R (2024-2025):

Pitches	PA	xwOBA	RV/100 (Context Neutral)
2187	608	0.347	0.6

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2024-2025 Spray Chart:



BIPs with minimum of 13 degree LA and 85 mph EV
(lowest recorded EV and LA for MLB HR) near Yankee
Stadium wall (filtered out singles, sac flies, and triples
since they were not very close to the wall)

Scouting Report/Grades:

Hit: 55 | Power: 45 | Run: 55 | Arm: 45 | Field: 60 | Overall: 50

- Utility player who excels at making contact and getting on base.
- Potential to be a valuable asset, particularly for teams looking for a high-contact, speedy player with defensive flexibility.
- Emphasizes routines, positive thinking, and dedication to improvement.

Injuries (2024-2025):

- Only missed 23 games due to injury
- 05/2025: Out 13 games - right ankle sprain
- 07/2024: Out 10 games - lower back inflammation